

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee is sponsoring its 4th all-day conference for CPCS attorneys. This program focuses on the rewards and challenges of working with other professionals in the representation of persons with mental illness. The seminar offers a variety of sessions by professionals who work directly with mental health attorneys in the pre-hearing, hearing and post-hearing stages of mental health litigation. Their presentations will enhance your comprehension of their work and promote better communication, thereby resulting in effective and thorough representation of your clients.

COLLABORATE OR COLLIDE:

Working with Other Professionals to Effectively Represent Persons with Mental Illness

Friday, June 8, 2001

9:00-4:30

Federal Reserve Bank, 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston

8:30 Registration and Breakfast

9:00 Welcome

9:15 Keynote Address: Facing the Challenges in the Interface between Law and Clinical Care

Ronald Schouten, M.D., J.D., Director, Law and Psychiatry Service,
Massachusetts General Hospital

10:30 The Hospital Attorney and Staff

Diane Geraghty, Esq., Connor and Hilliard

11:30 The Patient's Expert Witness

Marilyn Price, M.D., Assistant Clinical Professor, Brown University School of
Medicine

Robert Weber, Esq., Weber and Baum

12:00 Lunch

1:30 Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT): Good, Bad, or a Little

Bit of Each?

William B. Land, M.D., Clinical Instructor in Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

2:45 Medications and Clinical Assessment of Competency

Kimberly Bistis, Psy.D., Clinical Psychologist, Erich Lindemann Mental Health Center

Carla Canuso, M.D., Medical Director, Commonwealth Research and Evaluation Unit

CREDIT: This conference is approved for eight (8) hours credit towards CPCS continuing MHL certification.

FEE: \$75 (breakfast and lunch included)

DIRECTIONS: The Federal Reserve Bank is conveniently located across the street from the South Station stop on the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Red Line. A number of Commuter Rail lines from the west and south and Greyhound buses also arrive into South Station. For driving and parking directions or for more detailed public transportation directions, please call the Federal Reserve Bank's recorded directions line at (617) 973-FIND (3463).

TO REGISTER: Mail the Registration Form by May 25, 2001 with a check for \$75 (payable to MHLAC) to:

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee

Conference Registration

294 Washington Street - Suite 320

Boston, MA 02108

Space is limited. An additional \$10 will be charged to persons registering after May 25, 2001. Registration confirmation will be sent prior to June 8, 2001.

Written materials are still available! Call or email Kate Dulit.

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